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Dear Adult Learning Practitioners, Partners, and Stakeholders,

We are writing to invite you to the Southeast Michigan Regional Adult Learning Forum sponsored by the State of Michigan's Low-Wage Worker Advancement Strategy Committee of the Council for Labor & Economic Growth and the Adult Learning Work Group. The purpose of the forum is to meet with representatives of local adult education programs, community colleges, and literacy councils to hear their ideas about and experiences with the state's adult learning system.

The Adult Learning Work Group includes adult learning practitioners from around the state, representing community colleges, literacy councils, adult basic education programs, Michigan Works! Agencies, community based organizations and various state agencies. Its aim is to recommend comprehensive policy reforms, which will substantially re-imagine and re-design the adult learning infrastructure in Michigan.

The forum is on **Friday**, **July 18**, **11:00a.m. - 2:30p.m.** at the **Oakland Intermediate School** District Building. The Oakland ISD is located at 2111 Pontiac Lake Rd, Waterford, 48328.

We structured the agenda around a mix of presentations, moderated panel discussions, and tabletop conversations. Lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP to Erica Nakfoor, Department of Labor & Economic Growth - Office of Adult Education, at nakfoore@michigan.gov or 517-335-0634. Thank you in advance for your willingness to improve Michigan's adult learning opportunities by participating in the Southeast Michigan Regional Adult Learning Forum.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew S. Levin, Chair MI Adult Learning Workgroup Mitchell Tomlinson, Chair Low-Wage Worker Advancement Strategy Committee

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